

Dynamical systems and Control

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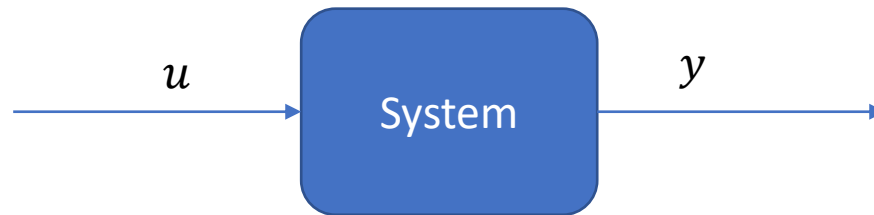
Lecture 4: Sensor and Measurements

- Recap
- Sensors
- Introduction to signal processing

Dynamical systems

A quick recap of lectures 1-3

Dynamical systems



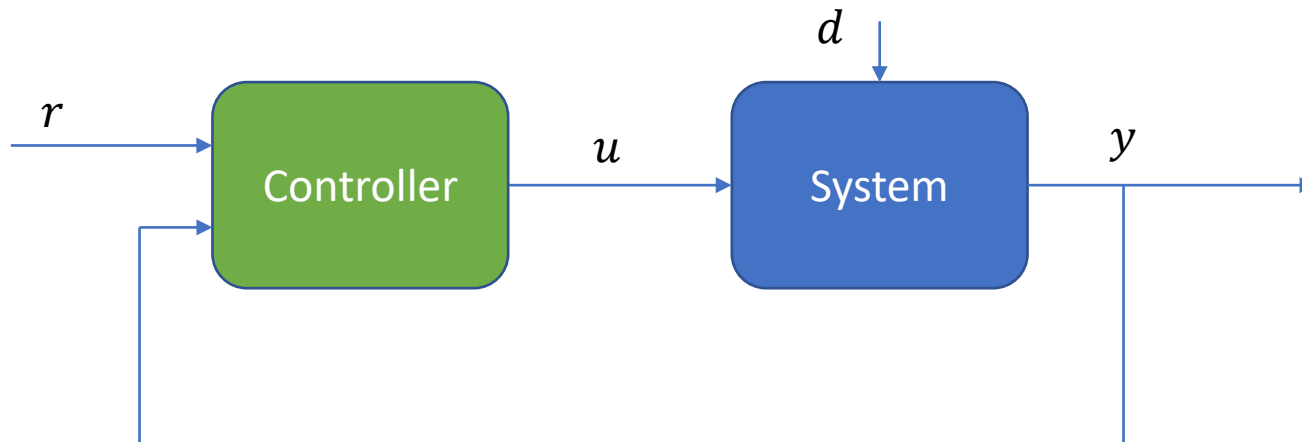
$$y^{(n)} + a_1 y^{(n-1)} + \dots + a_n y = b_0 u^{(m)} + \dots + b_m u$$

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$$

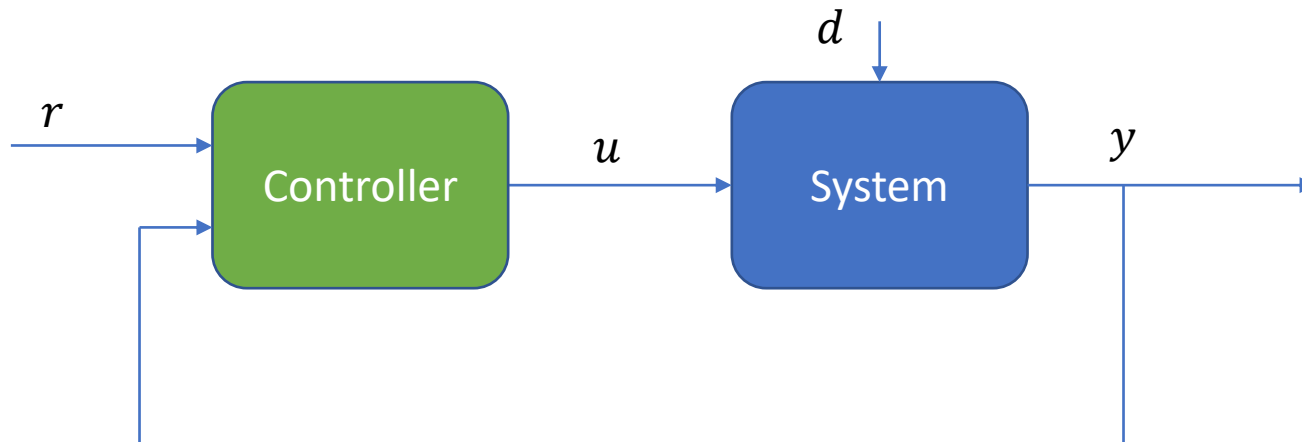
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Sensors

Introduction

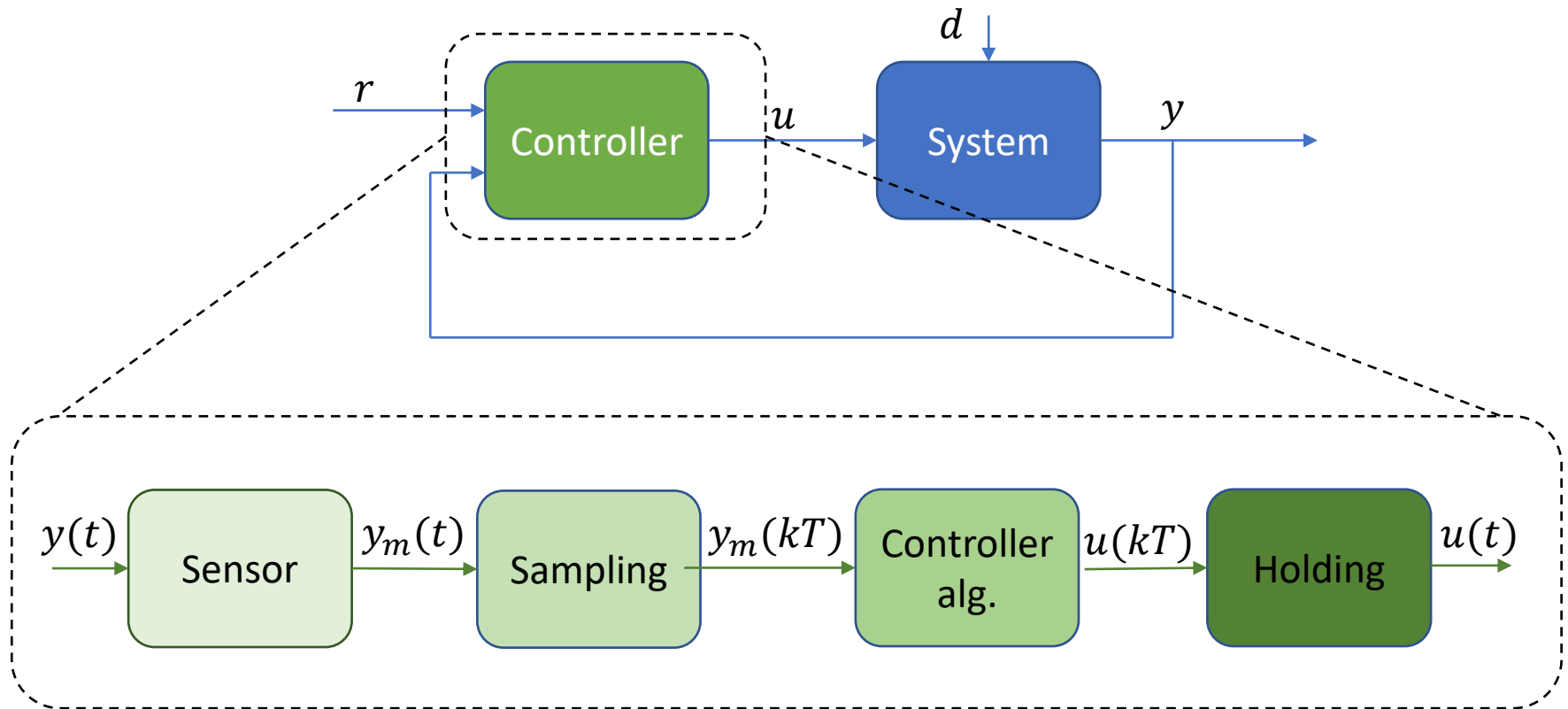


Introduction



- Generate u such that the output of the system, y , tracks a desired reference, r , in presence of disturbance d
- When we use y , we have feedback

How?



Sensors

- Accelerometers
- Gyroscopes
- GPS
- Laser, radar, sonar
- ...



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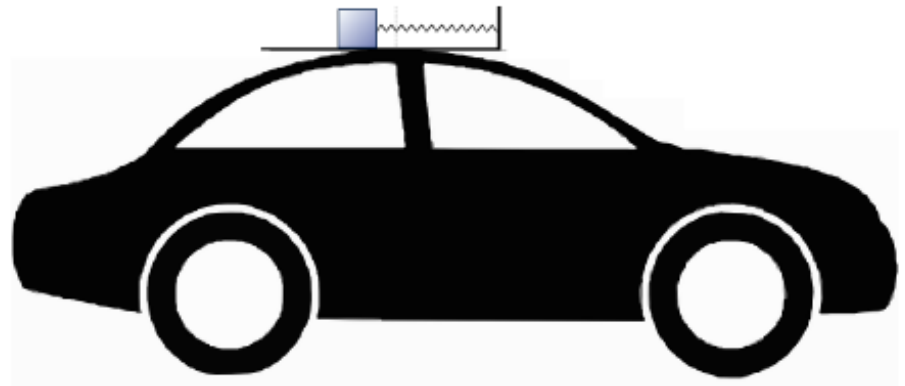
Points regarding sensors

- Sampling effect, quantization
- Calibration
- Measurement noise

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- Used to measure distance and velocity also

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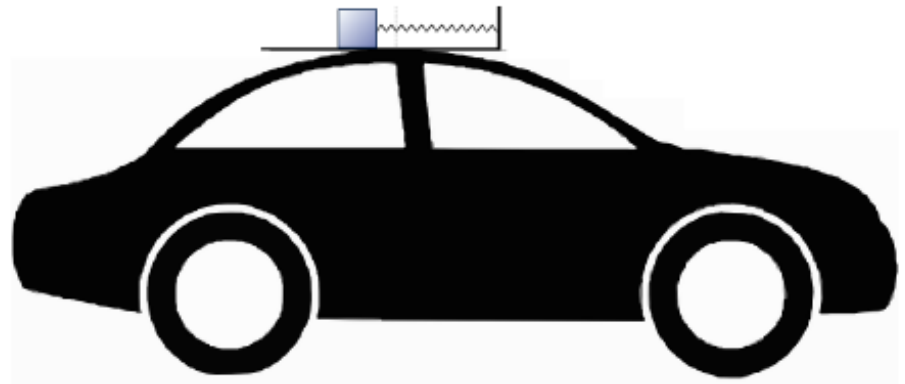
$$Ma = kd \longrightarrow a = \frac{kd}{M}$$

M : mass

a : acceleration

k : spring constant

d : extension of the spring



Position and velocity by accelerometers

$$v(t) = \int_0^t a(\tau) d\tau + v_0$$

$$x(t) = \int_0^t v(\tau) d\tau + x_0$$

- Initial conditions
- Integration
- Errors

Accelerometer-measurement error

$$a_m(t) = a(t) + b + e(t)$$

$$v_m(t) = v(t) + bt + \int_0^t e(\tau) d\tau$$

$$x_m(t) = x(t) + 0.5bt^2 + \dots$$

Accelerometer-measurement error

$$a_m(t) = a(t) + b + e(t)$$

b : bias or calibration error

$e(t)$: rapidly varying measurement noise

$$v_m(t) = v(t) + bt + \int_0^t e(\tau) d\tau$$

$$x_m(t) = x(t) + 0.5bt^2 + \dots$$

Measured velocity and position drift away rapidly

Gyroscopes

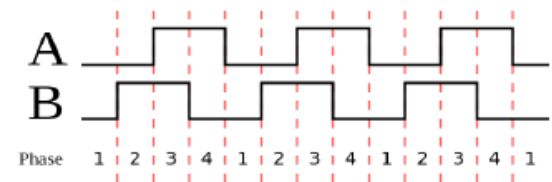
- Measure angular velocity using Coriolis effect
- Used to measure angle

$$\theta(t) = \int_0^t \omega(\tau) d\tau + \theta_0$$

- Similar principle (and issues) to accelerometers

Rotary encoder

- Measure angular velocities
- Advanced models can measure angles



Rotary encoder

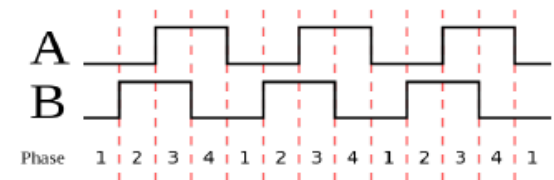
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Let n denote the number of holes on the disc.

$$\text{Resolution for 1 disk: } \frac{360}{2n}$$

$$\text{Resolution for 2 disks: } \frac{360}{4n}$$

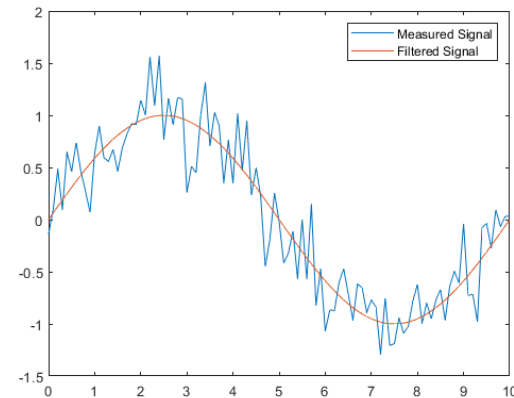


Introduction to signal processing

Concept

Given a sequence of measurements $y(kT_s)$, generate a new sequence $y_f(kT_s)$ such that

- Noise is removed
- Fast changes are removed
- Major frequency contents remain

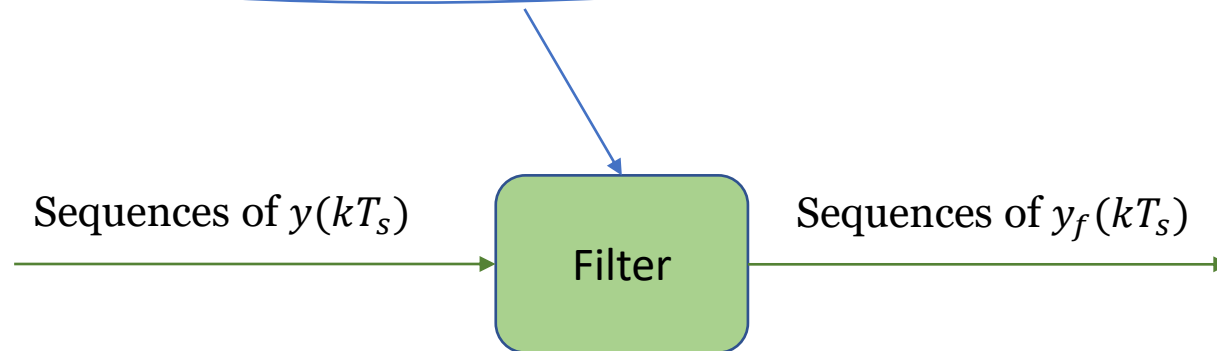


Example- Average of past 3 measurements

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It filters fast changes or a wrong measurement: a low-pass filter

It is a difference equation

Example- continued

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Introduce a new transformation:

- z : the next
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Example- continued

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$$Y_f(z) = \frac{1}{3} (1 + z^{-1} + z^{-2})Y(z)$$

Transfer function in discrete-time $G(z) = \frac{1}{3} (1 + z^{-1} + z^{-2})$

Example- Another low pass filter

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- $\alpha \rightarrow 0$: much effect from the measurement $y_f(kT_s) \approx y(kT_s)$

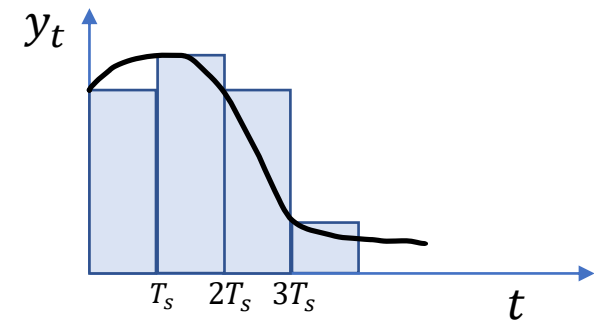
Transfer function:

$$Y_f(z) = \alpha z^{-1}Y_f(z) + (1-\alpha)Y(z) \longrightarrow \boxed{\frac{Y_f(z)}{Y(z)} = \frac{(1-\alpha)z}{z-\alpha}}$$

Example- Integrator

$$I(t) = \int_0^t y(\tau) d\tau \approx y(0)T_s + y(T_s)T_s + y(2T_s)T_s + \dots$$

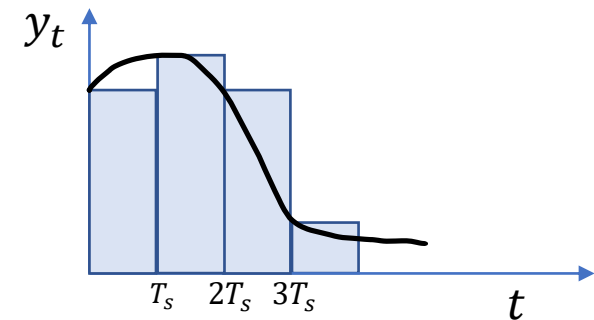
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Transfer function:

$$\mathbb{I}(z) = z^{-1}\mathbb{I}(z) + T_s z^{-1}Y(z) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \boxed{\frac{\mathbb{I}(z)}{Y(z)} = \frac{T_s}{z-1}}$$

What do we cover next?

- Filters
- Frequency response and Bode diagram
- Alias effect

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